

## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT &amp; TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

ALBERTO ET AL.

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Title: Carbon Monoxide Source for the  
Preparation of Transition Metal  
Carbonyl Complexes

Group Art Unit: 1621

Examiner: Paul A. Zucker

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Dear Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed 11/18/2004 in relation to the above-referenced patent application. The Office is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 13-1160 the amount \$450.00 as the fee for a two-month extension of time in which to reply to the above-mentioned Office Action. No other fees are believed to be due for entry of this paper.

A summary of this paper is as follows. In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, Group II (Claims 10-12 and 16-20) directed to methods for preparing transition metal carbonyl complexes has been elected. Accordingly, Claims 1-9, 13-15 and 20-24 are being cancelled reserving a right of reentry of those claims and/or the subject matter thereof in this or any other appropriate patent application. Claims 10, 18 and 19 are presently being amended, and new Claims 25-41 (directed to the elected subject matter of Group II) are being added. Accordingly, Claims 10-12, 16-19 and 25-41 are now pending in the present application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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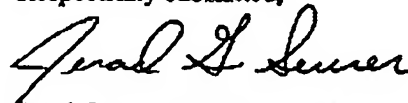
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In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, the subject matter of Group II directed to methods for preparing transition metal carbonyl complexes has been elected. By way of this paper, Claims 1-9, 13-15 and 20-24 are being cancelled reserving a right of reentry of those claims and/or the subject matter thereof in this or any other appropriate patent application. Claims 10, 18 and 19 are presently being amended, and new Claims 25-41 (directed to the elected subject matter of Group II) are being added. Accordingly, Claims 10-12, 16-19 and 25-41 are now pending in the present application.

It is believed that the present application is condition for allowance, and such disposition is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite allowance, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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